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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS  
AND INTERFERENCES

MARK DOUGLAS HOWELL,  
CHERYL LYNN SELINSKY, and LELAND CHARLES LEBER  
Junior Party  
(Patent 6,379,708),

v.

M. RIGDON LENTZ  
Senior Party  
(Application 09/709,045).

Patent Interference No. 105,413  
(Technology Center 1600)

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**DECLARATION - Bd.R. 203(d)<sup>1</sup>**

1 **Part A. Declaration of interference**

2 An interference is declared (35 U.S.C. § 135(a)) between the above-identified  
3 parties. Details of the application(s), patent (if any), reissue application (if any),  
4 count(s) and claims designated as corresponding or as not corresponding to the  
5 count(s) appear in Parts E and F of this DECLARATION.

6 **Part B. Judge managing the interference**

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<sup>1</sup> "Bd.R. x" may be used as shorthand for "37 C.F.R. § 41.x". 69 Fed. Reg. 49960, 49961 (12 Aug. 2004).

1 Administrative Patent Judge Sally Gardner Lane has been designated to  
2 manage the interference. Bd. R. 104(a).

3 **Part C. Standing order**

4 A Trial Section STANDING ORDER [SO] (Paper 2) accompanies this  
5 DECLARATION. The STANDING ORDER applies to this interference.

6 **Part D. Initial conference call**

7 A telephone conference call to discuss the interference is set for **7 March 2005**  
8 **at 2:00 pm** (the Board will initiate the call).

9 No later than **four business days** prior to the conference call, each party shall  
10 file and serve (SO ¶¶ 10.1 & 105) a list of the motions (Bd. R. 120; Bd. R. 204;  
11 SO ¶¶ 104.2.1, 120 & 204) the party intends to file.

12 A sample schedule for taking action during the motion phase appears as Form 2  
13 in the STANDING ORDER and a default schedule is attached to this Declaration.  
14 Counsel are encouraged to discuss the schedule prior to the conference call and to  
15 agree on dates for taking action. A typical motion period lasts approximately eight (8)  
16 months. Counsel should be prepared to justify any request for a shorter or longer  
17 period.

1 **Part E. Identification and order of the parties**

2 Junior Party

3 Named inventors: Mark Douglas Howell  
4 Fort Collins, CO

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6 Cheryl Lynn Selinsky  
7 Fort Collins, CO

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9 Leland Charles Leber  
10 Fort Collins, CO

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12 Involved Patent: 6,379,708, issued 30 April 2002  
13 from application 09/444,144, filed 20 November 1999

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15 Title: METHOD FOR ENHANCING IMMUNE RESPONSES  
16 IN MAMMALS

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18 Assignee: CYTOLOGIC, LLC CENTRE FOR ADVANCED  
19 TECHNOLOGY

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21 Senior Party

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23 Named Inventors: M. Rigdon Lentz  
24 Brentwood, TN

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26 Involved Application: 09/709,045, filed 10 November 2000

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28 Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM TO REMOVE CYTOKINE  
29 INHIBITOR IN PATIENTS

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31 Assignee: BIOPHERESIS TECHNOLOGIES, INC

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33 The senior party is assigned exhibit numbers 1001-1999. The junior party is

34 assigned exhibit numbers 2001-2999. Bd. R. 154(c)(1); SO ¶ 154.2.1. The senior party

35 is responsible for initiating settlement discussions. SO ¶ 126.1.

1 **Part F. Count and claims of the parties**

2 Count 1

3 Claim 23 of Lentz (09/709,045) or claim1 of Howell (6,379,708).

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5 The claims of the parties are:

6 Howell: 1-44

7 Lentz: 23-41

8 The claims of the parties which correspond to Count 1 are:

9 Howell: 1-44

10 Lentz: 23-41 The claims of the parties which do not correspond to

11 Count 1, and therefore are not involved in the interference, are:

12 Howell: none

13 Lentz: none

14 The parties are accorded the following benefit for Count 1:

15 Howell: none

16 Lentz: US 09/699,003, filed 26 October 2000

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18 US 09/316,226, filed 21 May 1999,  
19 issued as patent 6,231,536 on 15 May 2001

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21 US 09/083,307, filed 22 May 1998  
22 issued as patent 6,620,382 on 16 September 2003

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24 **Part G. Heading to be used on papers**

25 The following heading must be used on all papers filed in this interference, see

26 SO ¶ 106.1.1:

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23 **Part H. Order form for requesting file copies**

24 When requesting copies of files, use of SO Form 4 will greatly expedite  
25 processing of the request. Please attach a copy of Parts E and F of this  
26 DECLARATION with a hand-drawn circle around the patents and applications for which  
27 a copy of a file wrapper is requested.

/Sally Gardner Lane/  
Administrative Patent Judge

Enc:

Copy of STANDING ORDER  
Form PTO-850  
Copy U.S. Patent 6,379,708  
Copy of claims of 09/709,045  
Copy of default times for taking action

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